

November 26, 2017

Nursery

Shea Moore

SOUND ROOM

Clay Winn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dan Blair

SCRIPTURE READING

Ralph Hunter

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Caleb Shock

LEAD PRAYER

Gary Lambert

Harold Moody

LORD'S TABLE

Connor Marsh, b.

Michael Hunter, c.

Thomas Martin

Rodger Moore

Dennis Martin

Jacob Moore

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Jade Smith

LEAD PRAYER

Clay Winn

Roy Bulice

LORD'S TABLE

Rodger Moore

Dennis Martin

November 29, 2017

LEAD SINGING

Michael Hunter

LEAD PRAYER

Joey Moore

Aaron Harp

DEVOTIONAL

Rodger Harlan

December 3, 2017

Nursery

M. Mauney, D. Moody

SOUND ROOM

Caleb Shock

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Curtis Sawrie

SCRIPTURE READING

Michael Hunter

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Thomas Martin

LEAD PRAYER

Mike Widner

Caleb Shock

LORD'S TABLE

Joey Moore, b.

Aaron Harp, c.

James Moore

Mark Mauney

Steve Shock

Dan Blair

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Randy Riddle

LEAD PRAYER

Jack Hancock

Stanley Gordon

LORD'S TABLE

Jacob Moore

Joey Moore

December 6, 2017

LEAD SINGING

Bob Johnston

LEAD PRAYER

James Moore

Mark Mauney

DEVOTIONAL

Clay Winn

At A Glance

November 26 – Contribution to Building Fund

November 28 – Holiday Sock Exchange. 24 Sisler Lane, Vilonia.

December 8-10 – Area-Wide Winter Youth Retreat at Areopagus

December 10 – Christmas and Paint Party for K – 4th Grades

December 10 – Area-Wide Youth Devo. Greenbrier. 4 p.m.

December 31 – Contribution to Building Fund

January 7 – Mission Report: Ted Knight

January 7 – Area-Wide Youth Devo. Downtown Morrilton. 5 p.m.

January 9 – Preacher's Meeting. 10 a.m.

January 9 – Area-Wide Fellowship Supper and Singing. 5:30 p.m. Downtown, Morrilton

February 11 – Area-Wide Youth Devo. Liberty. 5 p.m.

February 23-25 – Ladies' Retreat at Camp Areopagus

March 11 – Area-Wide Youth Devo. R & C. 5 p.m.

April 6-8 – Area-Wide Youth Retreat at Areopagus

May 6 – Area-Wide Youth Devo at Enola. 5 p.m.

July 8-13, 2018 – Gospel Gathering

July 21-24 – VBS 2018

Bible Class Lessons

Sun., Nov. 26: Lesson #413 – Nehemiah 3-5

Wed., Nov. 29: Lesson #414 – Nehemiah 6-8

Sun, Dec. 3: Lesson #415 – Nehemiah 9-12

Wed., Dec. 6: Lesson #416 – Nehemiah 13, Malachi

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:15 a.m.

Evening Service 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

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Missions

- Ted & Barbara Knight (U.S.A., Romania)
- Roberto Sarmiento, Costa Rica
- Main Street Church of Christ (Stuttgart, Arkansas)
- Youth Outreach University Youthoutreachuniversity.com
- Truth For Today World Mission School
- Gospel Chariot (Africa)
- Gospel Crusade (Local)
- Camp Areopagus

The Mars Hill Messenger

November 26, 2017

God Gave Me A Year

Cleon Lyles

It is about over now.... the year God gave me.... The year God gave had fifty-two Sundays in it. The Lord expected me to worship Him every one of those Sundays... Each of those Sundays (as well as each Wednesday) we had a time set aside for Bible study. What I did with those hours has been done and nothing can change it. I will either look back with regret because I failed my Lord, or with pleasure knowing I was always present when the saints met for study or worship.

The year God gave me had 365 days in it. Each day had 24 hours. Thus the year brought me 8,760 hours. About 2,080 of those hours were spent making a living for the physical body. About 2,920 of those hours were spent in needed rest. That left me 3,760 hours that I used as I desired. Many souls died in each hour without Christ. Some of them were people I knew and could have helped. I could have done much to make the church stronger. I could have strengthened saints who had grown weak. I could have ministered to those who were suffering. I had the time and opportunities. What I did with those hours has been done. It is too late to make any changes.

The year God gave me brought me a certain amount of money. Most, if not all of it, has been spent. Some of it may be laid up on a savings account. What I did with that money has been done. If I used it wisely, and gave the Lord what I should have given, it has brought me many blessings. All I can do is stand at the graves of my opportunities and wish I had been more faithful, or stand at the end of the year and be glad I did what God wanted me to do with what He gave me.

Yes, God gave me a year and now it is gone. I wonder if He will give me another?... if God gives me another, regardless of how well I did with the last one, I hope to do better with the new one. If He gives it to me, twelve months from now I will look back over it with either joy or regret.

THANKING GOD IN TIME OF TROUBLE

In August of 2010, the Associated Press reported the story of 75-year-old Ron Sveden of Brewster, Mass., who was suffering from failing health, difficulty breathing, and aggravated coughing spells. Tests showed "an ominous dark spot" on his lung, and Sveden feared the worst. However, his doctors told him that tests were inconclusive, and only exploratory surgery would allow a determination. The mass was removed and lab work concluded it was nothing more than an aspirated pea which had sprouted in his lung. Sveden was relieved, of course. His trouble soon turned to giving thanks.

That is the way it is in our lives, and it was the case in the 28th Psalm written by David. The Psalm is about praying for help and thanking God when the prayer is answered. David expresses his concerns at the beginning and then praises God for His aid. He worships the Lord while in his need and he receives God's help. The key to the Psalm is in v. 6 - God hears and answers our prayers!

A Prayer of Trouble (1-5). In the first two verses he prays, "Please Help!" He calls the Lord his Rock and asks him to not be deaf to him. Specifically, he asks the Lord to defeat the wicked! Many speculate this is during the time that Absalom and his armies are hunting down David (though this cannot be proven). He prays for the Lord to avenge based on the deeds of their hands; to repay them what they deserved (vv. 4-5).

A Prayer of Thanksgiving (6-9). There are four specific blessings from God for which David offers his gratitude. All of these are linked to his prayer of verses one through five.

- Verse 6 - Thank you for hearing me.
- Verse 7 - Thank you for helping me.
- Verse 8 - Thank you for strengthening me.
- Verse 9 - Thank you for saving me.

God may not always answer our prayers the way we want. Things may not turn out the way we would want. However, knowing we have an all-powerful God who loves us enough to listen to us and provide for us should give us great strength. Counting our blessings helps us appreciate all He does for us and all He is.

Notice what he calls the Lord in this Psalm: Rock, Strength, Shield, Saving Defense, Shepherd. That is why with his "voice" he speaks these prayers out loud. He is not just thinking them. He is offering them to the One who hears and protects.

David

PRAYERS NEEDED

Eddy Jones is recovering from issue with his heart.

Rodger Moore is having problems with his back.

Mary House will undergo treatment on her thyroid.

Gerri Smith, Heather Partee's grandmother, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Mark Boultinghouse, Karen Lambert's brother, is undergoing treatments for severe migraines.

Jennifer Martin, close friend of the House family, is experiencing serious health issues.

Sarah Roderick, James and Debbie Moore's daughter, is recovering from a back injury.

Extended Sick List: Kathy Hall, Thurman Brown, Jean Harvey, Shelia Riddle, Alex Lafferty, Buddy Herrod, Sabrina Gray, Heather Partee, Paula Stocks, Shelia Riddle, Roy Bulice, Martha Walker, Nell Bostic, Nita Patrom, Mark Allen, Pam Webb, Ethan Lafferty, Martha Green, Joey Walker, Hannah Cupp, Karen Barger, Sunny Moody, Martha Green, Linda Brown, Beth Moreno, Gladys Widner, Robie Permenter, Jerry Walker, Charlene Lasley, Gordon Newsome, Ava Walker, John Riddle, Jerry Almond, Anna Kay Jones, Barbara Fowlkes, Jim Canter

FAMILY NEWS.

Building Fund: Today's contribution will go toward our building payment. Please be as generous as possible.

Holiday Sock Exchange: Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at 24 Sisler Lane, Vilonia. Buy a pair of holiday color socks, stuff them with an assortment of small treats, and tie them together with a bow. Please bring finger food. Salsa and chips will be provided.

Christmas and Paint Party: This party is for K-4th Grades. It will be held after services on Sunday morning, December 10th. Lunch will be provided. Each child is asked to bring a \$5 gift for the gift exchange. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer to let us know how many to prepare for. See Kim Wells for additional information.

Donations: Anyone wishing to donate to the work of Barbara Oliver is asked give those donations to Barbara Ausbrooks.

Ladies' Retreat: A Ladies' Retreat is being planned for February 23-25 at Camp Areopagus. There is a list to sign up on the table in the foyer. Please sign up today so necessary decisions can be made.

*How many legs does a dog have
if you call the tail a leg? Four.
Calling a tail a leg doesn't make it a leg.
- Abraham Lincoln*